

ABSTRACT

5 A network dialing scheme for voice switching is provided. The network dialing scheme provides method and apparatus for reducing the configuration requirements and complexity of configuring H.323 gateways on an H.323 network. The network dialing scheme also provides an user-
10 friendly interface. The configuration of the H.323 gateway may be done using ASCII text files that can be distributed to multiple machines with little or no modifications. In the network dialing scheme, numbering plans are defined in which destinations are related with phone groups.